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REMOTE PROGRAMMING AND CONTROL MEANS FOR A HEARING AID

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

In an illustrative embodiment of the present invention, a selector module is provided to a user for
5 selecting one of multiple acoustical formats of a hearing aid device. Generally, a keypad is pressed by a user to select an acoustical format, whereby a command is transmitted to the hearing aid. In a specific application, the command is transmitted via a wireless protocol. A
10 received command is then decoded to program the hearing aid to a selected acoustical format. Preferably, the acoustical format defines an acoustical response of the hearing aid device for an entire continuous range of frequencies detectable by a human ear.